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	A. REGISTRANT IDEN	TIFICATION		
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:			OFFICIAL USE ONLY	
Robertson Stephens Securities LLC  ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)			FIRM ID NO.	
	(No. and Street)			
San Francisco	CA		94104	
(City)	(State)		(Zip Code)	
NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PE	RSON TO CONTACT IN RE	GARD TO THIS REPO	RT	
Bernadine Heinrich			(415) 500-6807	
			(Area Code – Telephone No	
B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICAT	TION			
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTAN	IT whose opinion is contain	ned in this report*		
EisnerAmper LLP				
	Name – if individual, state, last, first,	middle name)	2/2	
One Market, Landmark, Suite 620	San Francisco	CA	94105	
(Address) CHECK ONE:	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)	
<ul><li>☑ Certified Public Accountant</li><li>☐ Public Accountant</li><li>☐ Accountant not resident in United</li></ul>	States or any of its posses	sions.		
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Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(2).

#### **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

suppo furthe	orting sc er swear	. Nakao, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge schedules pertaining to the firm of Robertson Stephens Securities ar (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor unt classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:	es LLC, as of December 31, 2014, are true and correct.			
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			Signature			
	of Calif	lifornia San Francisco	President			
Subse	ribed a	and sworn to before me ay of February 2015  K. Coffer	AMY K. COFFER Comm. #1941189 Notary Public California Contra Costa County Comm. Expires Jun 17, 2015			
This 1	report**	** contains (check all applicable boxes):	my in solls			
	(a) (b) (c) (d) (e)	Facing page. Statement of Financial Condition. Statement of Operations. Statement of Cash Flows. Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' Equ Capital.	uity or Members' Equity or Sole Proprietor's			
	(f) (g) (h) (i) (j)	Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.  Computation of Net Capital for Broker and Dealers pursuant to Rule 15c3-1.  Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.  Information Relating to the Possession or control Requirements for Brokers and Dealers Under Rule 15c3-3.  A reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the				
	(k)	Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.  A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.				
	(l) (m) (n)	consolidation. An Oath or Affirmation. A copy of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation Supplemental Report. A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.				

<sup>\*\*</sup> For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3)

#### TO THE COMMISSIONER OF CORPORATIONS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

## VERIFICATION FORM PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS RULE 260.241.2(b)

#### (Executed WITHIN OR WITHOUT of the State of California)

(Signature of person signing)

<u>President</u>
(Title of person signing report)

Robertson Stephens Securities LLC (Name of Licensee)

167704

(File Number)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. If the broker-dealer, investment adviser is a sole proprietorship, the verification shall be made by the proprietor; if a partnership, by a general partner; or if a corporation, by a duly authorized officer.



#### **ROBERTSON STEPHENS**

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# REVISED Version 2/26/15 INCLUDES SIGNED OATH AND NOTARY

# ROBERTSON STEPHENS SECURITIES LLC STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2014



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#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Managing Member of Robertson Stephens Securities LLC

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Robertson Stephens Securities LLC (the "Company") as of December 31, 2014. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Robertson Stephens Securities LLC as of December 31, 2014, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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San Francisco, CA February 19, 2015

## Robertson Stephens Securities LLC Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2014

Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash	\$	174,294
Clearing Deposit		75,000
Other assets		26,262
Total Current Assets		275,556
Total Assets	\$	275,556
Liabilities and Member's Equity  Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$	4,955
Accrued liabilities		50,084
Accrued employee commission		1,587
		56,626
Total Liabilities		56,626
Member's Equity:		
Member's Equity		218,930
Total Member's Equity	_	218,930
Total Liabilities and Members Equity	\$ <u></u>	275,556

#### ROBERTSON STEPHENS SECURITIES LLC Notes to Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2014

#### 1. Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Business**

Robertson Stephens Securities LLC (the "Company") is a Delaware limited liability company formed on February 1, 2013. The Company is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a securities broker-dealer and became a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc on December 26, 2013. The Company engages in the business of providing brokerage services with respect to equity and other securities. The Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities and, accordingly, is exempt from SEC Rule 15c3-3. All securities transactions are cleared through a clearing broker on a fully disclosed basis.

The Company is controlled and managed by its managing member, Robertson Stephens LLC. As a limited liability company, the members' liability is limited to amounts reflected in the members' capital account.

On February 5, 2014, the Company entered into a referral agreement with another broker dealer ("Referral Agreement"). Under the terms of the Referral Agreement the Company received referral fees as a percentage of revenue generated by transactions executed on behalf of clients referred by the Company to the other broker dealer. The Referral Agreement was terminated on June 28, 2014.

#### Cash

The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which at times may exceed federally-insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash.

#### Revenue Recognition

Commission revenue and related expenses are recorded on a trade date basis as reported by the clearing broker. Referral fees are recorded as reported by the other broker dealer per the terms of the Referral Agreement.

#### Income Taxes

The Company elects to be treated as a pass-through entity for all relevant jurisdictions and therefore files informational income tax returns which attribute taxable income and taxes paid, if any, to the members. Management has concluded that the Company is not subject to income taxes in any jurisdiction and that there are no uncertain tax positions that would require recognition in the financial statements. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes

#### Robertson Stephens Securities LLC Notes to Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2014

#### 1. Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

#### **Income Taxes Continued**

is reflected in the financial statements. If the Company were to incur an income tax liability in the future, interest on any income tax liability would be reported as interest expense and penalties on any income tax liability would be reported as income taxes. Management's conclusions regarding uncertain tax positions may be subject to review and adjustment at a later date based upon ongoing analyses of tax laws, regulations and interpretations thereof as well as other factors. The Company is subject to examination by tax authorities for all tax years since inception.

#### Use of Estimates

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

#### 2. Deposit with Clearing Organization

The Company's clearing organization requires that it maintain at least \$75,000 in deposits.

#### 3. Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 8 to 1 in the first year of operations (December 26, 2013 to December 25, 2014) and 15 to 1 thereafter. At December 31, 2014, the Company had net capital of \$192,668 which was \$187,668 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000. The Company's aggregate indebtedness to net capital ratio was .2939% to 1%.

#### 4. Related Party Transactions

The Company operates from a leased office space in San Francisco under the terms of an expense-sharing agreement with Robertson Stephens Advisors LLC (the "Affiliate"). The Affiliate is the leasee. Under the terms of the expense-sharing agreement, the Company is required to reimburse the Affiliate for its allocable share of rent and other administrative expenses billed by the Affiliate each month.

#### Robertson Stephens Securities LLC Notes to Statement of Financial Condition December 31, 2014

#### 5. <u>Indemnification</u>

The Company enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnifications for which the maximum exposure is unknown but for which management expects the risk of loss, if any, to be remote. The Company has no current claims or losses pursuant such contracts.